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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ATA 36th Annual Conference

May 9-12, 2010

Marriott Harbor, Beach Resort
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Animal Transportation Association
www.aata-animaltransport.org



NEW MEMBERS AND ANIMAL ATTENDANTS

ATA Welcomes New Members

Manuel Leunda, Las Lunas
Marcel Brozius, Ace Pet Moving

April 30, 2010

To Members and Friends of the Animal Transportation Association (ATA):

Welcome to May and to our Annual Conference. We are looking forward to seeing you in just 10 days in Florida. I hope each of you have planned to join us.

To assist with the expenses of the Association, we hold a "silent auction" at each conference. Please contact Suzy Stennett or Bruce Clemmons (Board Members) to let them know what you can donate. If you can't attend the conference, but would still like to assist us by donating an item (these can ultimately advertise your businesses too) please forward it to their attention at the conference hotel (see our website for the address details).

Suzy's email is suzy.stennett@crowelivestock.co.uk

Bruce's email is bclemmons@fedex.com

Please contact them with your donation information. Also, we will forward you a list of items on the 1st day of the conference along with a mobile number you can call with your bid. For the first time, we will allow call-in bidders from outside the conference (have your credit card details ready).

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our Association and keep up the great work in Animal Transport! We'll see you in Florida!

All my best to you,



Lisa Schoppa, President

TRANSPORTATION TIDBITS

K+N "back on course"

Kuehne + Nagel reported turnover of 4.6 billion Swiss francs (\$4.29 billion) for the first quarter of 2010, an increase of 7.3 percent compared with Q1 2009.

Pre-tax income (EBITDA) was little changed at CHF228 million (\$212 million), down from CHF230 million (\$214 million) last time. Net earnings improved by 2.3 percent to CHF131 million (\$ 122 million).

Airfreight showed a significant recovery from last year's double-digit slump, with a 31 percent increase in year-over-year tonnage. Yield more than matched volume growth, with airfreight revenue increasing 36.4 percent to CHF873 million (\$813 million) while gross profit from this division increased by 5.5 percent to CHF171 million (\$159 million). K+N said it had seen some shift from ocean to airfreight owing to capacity constraints in shipping.

Contract logistics business grew "hesitantly" in the quarter, the company said. Performance was stable overall in this sector, with EBITDA margin down from 4.5 percent to 4.2 percent, but the North American result was negatively influenced by insufficient utilization of warehouse space and new business start-up costs.

[Source: Tidbits]

DHL launches secure freight service

DHL Freight has launched a Europe-wide secure LTL road service for SME shippers of high-value goods up to 2,500 kgs.

Theft is costing shippers Euro8 billion (\$10.7 billion) a year throughout the EU says the company.

The new service initially will cover 10 countries: Germany, Hungary, the Netherlands, Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia, Switzerland and the UK. All Europe will have coverage by 2012.

DHL is a member of TAPA (Transported Asset Protection Association).

[Source: Tidbits]

Forwarders believe it could take three weeks to clear backlogs of cargo, even if airspace restrictions were lifted today, while airlines are expected to implement rate hikes as the scramble to get cargo into northern Europe intensifies.

Although some forwarders are routing urgent cargo for northern Europe via southern continental airports, this was only a limited solution.

Bruno Sidler, chief operating officer of Ceva Logistics, told IFW backlogs would continue to build, because aircraft would still need to be repositioned after flights resumed and warehouses in Asia were starting to fill up.

Sidler also warned that rates would increase as forwarders and shippers tried to get cargo away.

But forwarder Panalpina said carriers had already begun to increase rates. Sidler said airports in Austria, Italy, Sweden, Czech Republic and Hungary had re-opened yesterday morning, although Ceva had been trying to get cargo to northern Europe by flying it to southern Europe and Turkey and trucking from there, using a mixture of charters and commercial capacity.

A DHL spokesman said its forwarding and express divisions had adopted a similar strategy, diverting long-haul freighter services from Asia and the US to southern Europe.

However, Sidler said: "Finding space in southern Europe has been extremely difficult, because the authorities have not given any traffic rights to non-scheduled operations."

"Kuehne + Nagel's director for sea and air logistics, Peter Ulber, agreed that there were no quick or universal solutions to the challenges presented by the European airspace restrictions."

Freighter airline Cargolux said it was operating a near-full network, despite the closure of its Luxembourg hub, using southern European airports combined with road feeder services.

[Source: Tidbits]

NEWS

1. United and Continental merge

CNN Money, May 3, 2010

NEW YORK (CNMMoney.com) -- UAL Corp.'s United Airlines announced a deal to merge with Continental Airlines on Monday, in a move that would create the world's largest airline, with estimated sales of \$29 billion a year.

The combined company, which will fly under the United moniker and Continental logo, is now larger than Delta Air Lines (DAL, Fortune 500), which became the country's largest airline when it merged with Northwest Airlines in 2008.

The combined companies will serve more than 144 million passengers per year and fly to 370 destinations in 59 countries, the companies said in a statement.

"This combination will provide a strong platform for sustainable, long-term value for shareholders, opportunities for employees, and more and better scheduled

service and destinations for customers," said Glenn Tilton, chairman, chief executive of UAL Corp., in a statement.

Under the terms of the deal, Continental shareholders will receive 1.05 shares of United common stock for each Continental common share they own, the companies said in a statement.

United shareholders would own approximately 55% of the combined company and Continental shareholders would own approximately 45%.

As a result of the merger, the companies expect to save between \$1 billion and \$1.2 billion over the next three years.

United and Continental discussed combining in 2008 and Houston-based Continental backed out. United boasts a stronger financial position this time around though.

Last week, the Chicago-based company reported a first-quarter loss of \$82 million, much narrower than the \$382 million loss posted a year earlier. And revenue jumped 15% to \$4.2 billion.

Thanks to an improved financial performance, United was expected to have more weight in the talks. Last weekend, the company pushed to base the deal on the closing price of its shares the day before an agreement is signed.

Assuming the deal clears anti-trust hurdles, the combined airline would be based in Chicago and use the United name but would be run by Continental chief executive Jeff Smisek, the source said.

Last month, United also discussed the possibility of merging with the Phoenix-based US Airways (LCC, Fortune 500).

Shares of UAL (UAUA, Fortune 500) were unchanged Friday while Continental's (CAL, Fortune 500) stock fell 1.5% Friday.

[Source:<http://money.cnn.com>]

2. Transatlantic Animal Welfare Council Formed

GLOBAL - Major non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have signed an innovative declaration and set up Transatlantic Animal Welfare Council (TAWC).
The Dairy Site, April 30, 2010

Eurogroup for Animals has signed a major declaration that sets up the Transatlantic Animal Welfare Council (TAWC), which brings together the world's two largest trading blocs – the EU and the USA – ensuring the highest standards of animal welfare are achieved.

Eurogroup and its members have led the development of this ground-breaking new initiative and they are working to establish a forum that will strengthen the relationship and cooperation between animal welfare groups in Europe and the USA and optimise resources by sharing knowledge, expertise and experience on animal welfare.

The TAWC follows the formation in 2007 of the Transatlantic Economic Council (TEC) which was also set up with the objective of strengthening transatlantic

cooperation with both sides trying to remove trade barriers and regulatory burden.

The initiative highlights the high level of citizen concern for animal welfare in both trading blocs and TAWC will cooperate constructively with the EU and US authorities to ensure that trade discussions take due account of the special nature of animals as sentient beings and of consequent concerns for their welfare.

Sonja Van Tichelen, Director of Eurogroup for Animals, said: "This is an historic day for animal welfare campaigners and Eurogroup is delighted that its idea has become a reality. This declaration puts in place a concrete organisation dedicated to ensuring the highest standards of animal welfare in the two largest trading blocs in the world. It will work to ensure that the USA and EU member state governments integrate animal welfare in their bilateral and multilateral trade agreements in future and also urge private companies to consider animal welfare in their CSR and supply chain policies."

Cindy Milburn, Senior Advisor at the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW), added: "Working together in a more structured manner will deliver even better results and ensure that the concerns of all our citizens are taken into account when the EU, EU member state and USA authorities enter into any trade discussions that concern animals or related products. We are delighted to be part of this initiative and will work tirelessly to make it a success."

Eurogroup will maintain the secretariat for the Council at its offices in Brussels and IFAW will Chair the Council for the first mandate. The TAWC will hold a plenary session twice per year and set up a number of expert working groups to focus on specific topics of mutual interest, such as animal testing, sustainable agriculture as well as specific bilateral and multilateral trade issues.

[Source:<http://www.thedairysite.com>]

3. Volcano delays Europe rebound

Air Cargo World, April 30, 2010

IATA members had a 28.1 percent overall increase in cargo traffic for March compared to the same month last year, following a 26.3 percent rise in February.

Despite the sluggish US economy, North American carriers saw their international freight traffic rise 32.2 percent in March; Asia-Pacific airlines increased traffic 34.1 percent and Latin America markets produced the highest regional growth of 47.9 percent.

In contrast, Europe showed the weakest rebound with 11.7 percent. IATA director general and CEO Giovanni Bisignani said: "European carriers were already showing the weakest recovery from the financial crisis through March. The volcanic ash crisis hit the weakest part of the industry the hardest. The majority of the \$1.7 billion in lost revenues was by Europe's carriers."

With demand now outpacing supply the overall cargo load factor rose to 57.1 percent in March - the highest since November 2002 when it was 58.8 percent. Airfreight is now within one percentage point of its previous high point in early 2008 although the association said it has taken twice as long for the global market to recover as it took to collapse.

Noting the International Monetary Fund has revised global GDP growth forecasts from 3.0 percent to 4.3 percent this year, Bisignani added: "The pace of improvement, based on an improving global economic situation, is much faster than anybody would have expected even six months ago."

[Source:<http://www.aircargoworld.com>]

4. Hawaiian gets first Airbus for Tokyo

Air Cargo World, April 30, 2010

Hawaiian Airlines took delivery of its first leased A330-200 from CIT Aerospace in Toulouse, France this week.

Hawaiian's new aircraft is the first of 16 A330s and A350s and will replace a fleet of B767s. The A330s will allow the airline to offer non-stop service between Hawaii and Asia, Australasia, the Americas and Europe.

"We have managed to maintain a strong financial position through the global economic crisis, allowing us to take advantage of available growth opportunities," commented the airline's CEO, Mark Dunkerley.

Two more leased aircraft will arrive in May and November this year. The carrier will take delivery of its own seven A330-200s and six A350-800s between 2011 and 2017.

Last week Hawaiian reported net income of \$216,000 on revenue of \$298.4 million in the first quarter of 2010 compared to \$23.5 million on revenue of \$288.6 million for the same period last year.

Dunkerley cited higher fuel costs and "inflationary pressures" for the drop in income and added: "Demand is strengthening albeit at a rate less than is being experienced in other regions, and we have measures in hand to reduce the rate of our non-fuel related cost increases which will help improve our results heading into the summer season."

[Source:<http://www.aircargoworld.com>]

5. Europe's ash hits Asia's cash

Air Cargo World, April 30, 2010

The Association of Asia Pacific Airlines (AAPA) says its members lost an estimated \$250 million from the recent closure of European airspace.

"Lessons must be learned from this painful episode which highlighted poor decision making by various parties and a lack of proper coordination in the management of European airspace," said director general Andrew Herdman.

AAPA members recorded a 33.1 percent year-over-year increase in March cargo traffic. With capacity up 12.6 percent, the overall load factor rose 11.3 percent to 73.1 percent.

Commenting on the results, Herdman said: "These figures provide further confirmation that the global economic recovery is well underway, led by quicker growth in leading Asia Pacific economies, but also accompanied by welcome signs of a pickup in both business and consumer confidence in major developed markets. For the first quarter of 2010 the international air cargo market has bounced back strongly from last year's slump in international trade, recording a 33.8 percent jump in cargo

volumes compared to the same period last year."

Underlining the scale of the recovery, Hong Kong Air Cargo Terminals Limited (Hactl) reported its highest ever daily throughput of 10,080 tonnes on April 23 - surpassing its previous record of 9,850 tonnes in September 2007.

Hactl handled 636,743 tonnes in the first quarter of 2010, a year-on-year growth of 37.5 percent.

[Source:<http://www.aircargoworld.com>]

Calendar of Events . . .

Conference Name	Conference Dates	Location	Contact Information
2010 ATA Annual Conference	May 9-12, 2010	Ft. Lauderdale, LF USA	ATA Annual Conference http://www.aata-animaltransport.org/conference.htm
9 th Annual Conference World Poultry 2010	May 18-20, 2010	London, UK	http://www.agra-net.com/worldpoultry
Combined Logistics Networks 8 th annual meeting	May 25-30, 2010	Bangkok, Thailand	www.combinedlogisticsnetworks.com/bangkokmeeting
Association of Zoo & Aquariums	September 11-16, 2010	Houston, TX USA	http://www.aza.org/annualconference/
European Association of Zoo & Aquariums	September 22-25, 2010	Verona, Italy	http://www.eaza.net/News/verona2010/Pages/Information.aspx
The Zoological Registrars Association 2010 Annual Conference	September 29- October 3, 2010	Alberta, Canada	http://www.zooregistrars.org
IPATA Conference	October 16-19, 2010	Montreal, QC, Canada	http://www.ipata.com/

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